

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MECHERLE et al.

Serial No.

09/769,082

Filed:

January 24, 2001

For:

LASER COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application, including:

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

x	Applicant claims small entity status pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27.	
X	Applicants request an extension of time of 2	months to respond to the Office Action of October 23,

2003. Please charge the requisite fee of 205 at the small entity rate to Depo	sit Account 50-0337.
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-Total Claims (-20 x \$18)	\$
-Independent Claims (-6 x \$80)	\$
-Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (\$270)	\$
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS	\$ PAID
-Reduction for Small Entity (½)	\$
- Extension fee from above	\$ 205.00

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A check in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed.

X___ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the extension fee of \$205.00 or other fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0337.

X____ I hereby certify that this paper and an Amendment (along with anything else referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date of signature hereof with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Applicants hereby responds to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2002.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 32, line 7 to read as follows:

The output drive current of the power amplifier Q3 to the laser diode is adjusted to the nominal operating point of the laser diode by adjusting the gate voltage at the input of the power amplifier Q3. The gate voltage is controlled by a first integrated circuit U3 and a potentiometer R6. The first integrated circuit U3 is preferably a CD4051BCM or similar device. The gate voltage is derived from a supply voltage regulated by a zener diode D1 to achieve a highly stable bias voltage regardless of power supply voltage fluctuations.

The power amplifier stage Q3 is AC-coupled with the gate voltage such that the voltage 03/27/2003 NASFAN1 00000060 500337 09769082

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